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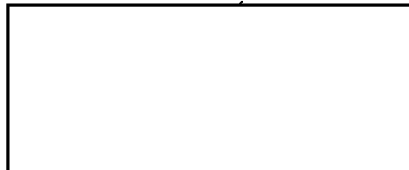
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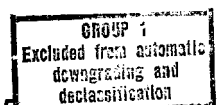
1. called today to ask if he could have a reading on the reasons for the 303 Committee curtailing missions over the Baltic Sea. He said that the missions for April had been curtailed and he wanted to know if this would apply to May and thereafter. The reason he had to know was so he could plan further flights accordingly.

2. I talked with Mr. Duckett who receives the 303 Minutes and he mentioned that he had talked with on this subject yesterday. He said it was very difficult to determine how long the policy would be in effect to cut reconnaissance type missions of this sort, but this was the general reaction since the PUEBLO incident. The cutback of these missions will possibly continue indefinitely, and planning for and other activities will have to live with this fact of life.

3. I called and related the reply given by Mr. Duckett and he acknowledged that OEL planning would just have to accept the fact that their planning is subject to either curtailment or cancellation. In the absence of an actual cancellation however, they would plan as best as possible.



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25X1A DIRECTOR INFO

2 APR 68 IN 83049

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1. FIRST MISSION OFF 0230Z, 2 APRIL 68. ALL EQUIPMENT
WAS OPERATIONAL. AIRCRAFT RETURNED 1106Z, NEGATIVE RESULTS.
EXT MISSION SCHEDULED 1215Z, 5 APRIL 68. NO FIGHTER REACTION.

25X1A 2. WE ARE IN RECEIPT OF MESSAGE ON
25X1A WHICH IS AN ADDRESSEE STATING ONLY THREE MISSIONS
APPROVED FOR APRIL, THAT AIRCRAFT IS TO RETURN TO OFFUTT AND
25X1A AWAIT APPROVAL FOR MAY MISSIONS, THAT ALL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT IS
TO REMAIN AT WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT OUR SPARE EQUIPMENT
CAN GO BACK OR STAY. IF MISSIONS ARE TO BE APPROVED FOR MAY,

RECOMMEND

THAT OUR SPARE EQUIPMENT BE LOCKED UP HERE.

25X1A 3. RECEIVED MARCH TIMES AND HAVE PLOTTED. CREWS
HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY BRIEFED ON PROCEDURE.

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